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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED JUNE 6, 2005

This paper is in response to the Office action mailed June 6, 2005 in the above-referenced application. A petition for a two-month extension of time and the required fee are filed herewith. With this extension of time, these documents are due no later than Monday, November 7, 2005 (November 6, 2005 being a Sunday). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 19374-501 NATL.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.